DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, AREA II SUPPORT ACTIVITY
UNIT #15333
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

IMKO-AB-PL-LO 24 August 2005

COMMAND POLICY # 5-20

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Prohibitions on the Possession and Use of Weapons, Destructive Devices, and Other Dangerous Items

1. References:

a. AR 600-20, Army Command Policies, dated 13 June 2002

b. USFK Reg. 27-5, Individual Conduct and Appearance, dated 20 May 2004

c. USFK Reg. 190-8, Physical Security of Private, Commercial, and Special Purpose Danger Arms, Ammunitions, Explosives and Weapons, dated 24 June 1996.

2. Applicability: This policy applies to all personnel assigned, attached to, visiting or residing within Area II installations.

3. General: To ensure the peace and tranquility of all Area II installations the following rules are established:

a. A weapon is any device, including privately owned devices, that will eject a hard projectile by any explosive, mechanical, or compressed air means (except children's toys which eject soft projectiles) or any device that may, by its design or manner of employment, be used to inflict death or serious injury. The term "weapon" also includes but is not limited to all types of BB guns, air rifles or pistols, pellet guns, and slingshots.

b. Personnel will not, except as required in the performance of official duties and as authorized by law or regulation, acquire, own, possess, manufacture, transport or use, any of the following see Appendix (A). All privately owned firearms will be registered and stored IAW provisions of USFK Reg. 190-8.

c. Privately Owned Weapons and/or Firearms. They will not be used by persons under eighteen (18) years of age unless those persons are under the direct, personal supervision of an individual who is twenty one (21) years of age or older.

d. Toy Guns. They project plastic pellets and will not be used by individuals who are less than eighteen (18) years of age unless they are under the direct personal supervision of a person who is twenty one (21) years or older.

e. No weapon or firearms as defined by Appendix A will be used at other than a facility designed for its use. Weapons or firearms also as defined by Appendix A will be stored in accordance with references 1(b) and 1(c) of this policy letter.

4. Sanctions:

a. Violations of this policy by individuals subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) may constitute violations of Article 92, UCMJ, subjecting the individual to criminal punishments and administrative sanctions.

b. Violations of this policy by individuals not subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice may subject the individual to administrative sanctions and civilian criminal prosecution.

c. Anything listed in Appendix A that is in violation of this policy letter will be confiscated and disposed of IAW applicable regulations.

5. Responsibilities:

a. Commanders - will ensure USFK Military personnel, the civilian components and family members comply with this command policy.

b. Area II PMO - enforces the provisions of this Command Policy, through the use of patrols, incident reports and/or other appropriate measures.

c. Area II Commander – The Area II Commander will enforce the provisions of this policy as the misconduct action authority for violations covered by USFK Regulation 600-52, Civilian Misconduct.

d. Area II Law and Order Officer -

(1) Is the designated representative of the Area II Commander and has supervisory responsibility over the Area II Prohibitions on the Possession and Use of Weapons, Destructive Devices, and Other Dangerous Items Policy.

(2) Is the Area II POC for this command policy.

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Appendix A

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APPENDIX A

PROHIBITED ITEMS

Fully automatic firearms.

Shotgun with barrel length less than 18 inches.

Modified shotgun having overall length less than 26 inches or a barrel less than 16 inches in length.

Rifle having a barrel less than 16 inches in length.

Modified rifle having an overall length less than 26 inches or a barrel less than 16 inches in length.

Any type of BB guns, pellet guns, or slingshots.

Other weapons, except a pistol or revolver, from which a shot is discharged by an explosive if the weapon is capable of being concealed on the person.

Noise suppressor for any weapon.

Molotov Cocktail or any flammable/combustible substance in a glass/breakable container that is configured with a fuse-type device.

Firearm that is not registered within 3 working days of acquistion in or introduction into Korea.

Straight razor, a knife with a razor blade, a switchblade knife, a T-handle push knife, a hooked blade knife (carpet-type knife), a box knife, a butterfly knife with hinged handle sections that collapse around the blade, or any knife, sword, or dagger with a 4 inch or longer blade. There are 4 exceptions to the foregoing:

A hunting knife, fishing knife, jackknife, sheathed knife or kitchen knife with a 4 inch or longer blade may be acquired, owned, possessed, and transported when used exclusively for hunting, fishing, camping, cooking and eating activities.

If required to perform military duties, a sheathed knife with a 4 inch or longer blade may be carried or worn immediately to or from work.

APPENDIX A

PROHIBITED ITEMS

Ceremonial/decorative knives, swords, and daggers, regardless of size, may be acquired, owned, possessed, and displayed in home, office, or at official functions, but will not be carried or possessed in public places except to transport them to and from home, office, or an official function.

A straight razor, when used for shaving only.

Club-type hand weapon (blackjack), brass knuckles and gloves or bracelets studded with hard or sharp metal objects.

Shooting pen (fountain pen or automatic pencil-style pen capable of discharging tear gas or similar substances) or any weapon capable of discharging any chemical agent. Weapons that discharge water and blanks, and defensive pepper spray devices, are exempted.

Shooting weapon or blade that can collapse, be telescoped, or shortened, or that is stripped beyond the normal extent required for hunting or sporting; or is concealed in other devices (for example, walking sticks, umbrellas, tubes and others).

Shooting weapon with mounted searchlights.

Hollow point cartridge, (whether opened or closed), for any firearm of more than .22 caliber (5.6 mm).

Explosive, incendiary, or gas bomb, grenade, missile, mine, or similar device or any rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces.

Kung Fu or Chinese fighting stick or nunchakus or similarly constructed times unless the item was acquired and is owned, possessed, transported, and used solely in connection with authorized sporting events, regularly scheduled martial arts training or practice.

Metal Chinese throwing star or similarly constructed item having multiple sharpened appendages.

Bow and/or arrows.

Crossbow and/or arrows/bolts.